

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus including:
 - a drum;
 - ~~one or more at least one~~ food receiving ~~products~~ pocket associated with the drum, ~~said pockets~~ the pocket being configured for cooking food product in a heating liquid, ~~which pockets have the pocket having~~ at least one open end;
 - cover means for covering at least one open end of ~~said pockets~~ the pocket; and
 - rotation means for rotatably mounting ~~said the drum and pockets the pocket~~ to a housing such that ~~said the drum~~ is rotatable with respect to ~~said the housing~~ about a horizontal axis; ~~and~~
 - at least one lever to partially rotate the ~~said drum and pockets the pocket~~ about the axis to displace the ~~pocket-pockets~~ between an upwardly directed inclined position and a downwardly directed inclined position; and
 - a receptacle configured to contain heat transfer fluid, the receptacle being positioned such that the pocket extends into the heat transfer fluid contained in the receptacle when the pocket is arranged in the downwardly directed inclined position.
2. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pocket includes ~~pockets include~~ a tube with a cylindrical body with walls including a plurality of perforations at a lower portion thereof, which lower portion defines an integral food pocket for releasably holding the food.
3. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~the dimensions of the pocket at its open end of the pocket corresponds~~ correspond with the dimensions of a cooked food container so that when the container is releasably positioned and snugly fitted over the open end of the ~~said pocket~~, any cooked food products contained in the food pocket are discharged from the food pocket into the container for serving purposes.

said-pocket, any cooked food products contained in the food pocket are discharged from the food pocket into the container for serving purposes.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 1, the apparatus including immersing means for immersing and withdrawing at least the ~~pockets~~ pocket into-a and out from the receptacle-of containing the heat transfer fluid.

6. (Original) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein the immersing means is incorporated in the rotation means.

7. (Previously presented) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein the immersion means includes a displacement mechanism for displacing the pockets, the displacement mechanism including a pivot arm fixed to the drum.

8. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 5, including at least one heating means in the form of a helical coil ~~position~~ positioned in the receptacle-of containing the heat transfer ~~unit~~ fluid.

9. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in ~~claim 5~~ claim 2, including a housing in which the heat transfer fluid receptacle is housed wherein the heat transfer fluid receptacle is positioned at such a location in the housing that the perforated portion of the ~~pockets~~ pocket is immersed in the heat transfer fluid when the drum is partially rotationally displaced by a predetermined extent.

10. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein the heat transfer receptacle includes a sludge outlet in order to facilitate the removal of food debris thereby prolonging the useful life of the heat transfer ~~unit~~ fluid.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 5, ~~including a guide for guiding the wherein~~ food debris is guided towards a cold zone of the heat transfer fluid in the receptacle during use of the cooker apparatus.

13. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 12, wherein ~~the guide includes a separation device which prevents the~~ free movement of the food debris through the heat transfer fluid and guides the food debris away from heating elements towards a drain portion of the apparatus.

14. (Original) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 13, wherein the separation device is a sheet having a portion located within the heat transfer fluid and at least partially screening the heating elements from the food debris.

15. (Currently Amended) A cooker apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~including further comprising a~~ condenser system which includes an air pump which blows air into the housing adjacent where ~~the~~ cooking is taking place and forces ~~the~~ hot air into ~~the~~ outlet pipes and then into a condenser tank where condensed gasses are collected and non-condensibles are directed back to the pump after passing through a filter system thereby reducing the necessity for a canopy extractor system.

16. (Previously presented) A vending machine incorporating an apparatus as claimed in claim 1.

17. (NEW) A cooker apparatus comprising:

a drum;

at least one food receiving pocket associated with the drum, the pocket being configured for cooking food product in a heating liquid, the pocket having at least one open end;

cover means for covering at least one open end of the pocket; and

at least one lever to partially rotate the drum and the pocket about the axis to displace the pocket between an upwardly directed inclined position and a downwardly directed inclined position;

wherein the pocket includes a tube with a cylindrical body with walls including a plurality of perforations at a lower portion thereof, which lower portion defines an integral food pocket for releasably holding the food.

18. (NEW) A cooker apparatus including:

a drum;

at least one food receiving pocket associated with the drum, the pocket being configured for cooking food product in a heating liquid, the pocket having at least one open end;

cover means for covering at least one open end of the pocket; and

rotation means for rotatably mounting the drum and the pocket to a housing such that the drum is rotatable with respect to the housing about a horizontal axis; and

at least one lever to partially rotate the drum and the pocket about the axis to displace the pocket between an upwardly directed inclined position and a downwardly directed inclined position;

wherein dimensions of the open end of the pocket correspond with dimensions of a cooked food container so that when the container is releasably positioned and snugly fitted over the open end of the pocket, any cooked food products contained in the food pocket are discharged from the food pocket into the container for serving purposes.